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SUBJECT: REQUESTED APPROVAL FOR BACK-UP SATELLITE STATION AT WOOMERA

REF: (A) STATE 217762, (B) CANBERRA 6817

AFTER 13-HOUR BARGAINING SESSION ON SUNDAY (AUSTRALIAN TIME) AUSTRALIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (ATEA) AND ACTU PRESIDENT BOB HAWKE REACHED AGREEMENT WITH TELECOM AND GOA TO PROVIDE FOR RESUMPTION OF WORK BY AUSTRALIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS EMPLOYEES. AGREEMENT WILL BE PUT TO RANK AND FILE WORKERS OF ATEA ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 29TH WITH RECOMMENDATION BY UNION LEADERS THAT IT BE ACCEPTED. AT THIS POINT, IT APPEARS THE AGREEMENT STAND GOOD CHANCE OF ACCEPTANCE BY UNION RANK AND FILE. BOTH IN-COUNTRY ALTERNATE COMMUNICATIONS FOR WOOMERA AND EXISTING WOOMERA SATELLITE COMMUNICATION ARE STILL OPERATIONAL. IF RANK AND FILE ACCEPT
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TERMS OF AGREEMENT, RETURN TO WOK COULD TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY, ALTHOUGH THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL BACK-LOG OF MAINTENANCE REQUIRED BEFORE TOTAL COMMUNICATIONS ARE RESTORED THROUGHOUT AUSTRALIA. BELIEVE THIS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE DEPLOYMENT OF BACK-UP FACILITY TO WOOMERA.
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NOTE BY OCT: REFTEL STATE 217762 IS INCORRECT REFERENCE.

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